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SUBJECT: BOPHUTHATSWANA: POLICE HARRASSMENT OF NON-TSWANAS

1. THE POST REPORTED AUGUST 18 THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF BOPHUTHATSWANA HAS EMBARKED ON A POLICY OF CRACKING DOWN ON NON-TSWANAS LIVING IN THE COUNTRY WITHOUT REQUIRED RESIDENCY PERMITS. POLICE HAVE BEEN RAIDING THE HOMES OF NON-TSWANAS IN WINTERVELDT REQUIRING THE OCCUPANTS TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTATION. DELINQUENT PERSONS REPORTEDLY NUMBERING IN THE HUNDREDS HAVE BEEN SENTENCED TO 30 DAYS IMPRISONMENT OR R30 FINE.

2. PRIME MINISTER MANGOPE REPORTEDLY SAID IN A SPEECH ON AUGUST 4 IN GA-RANKUWA THAT PEOPLE NOT DESIRING TO BECOME BOPHUTHATSWANA CITIZENS MUST BE PREPARED TO "GET OUT" OF THE COUNTRY. EDMONDSON

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